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ARGENTINE COMMISSION for HUMAN RIGHTS
COMISION ARGENTINA POR LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS (CADHU)
Washington, D.C. Information Bureau

November 10th, 1977

Mr. Mark Schneider
Office of Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs
Department of State
Washington DC 20520

Dear Mr. Schneider:

In view of the Secretary of State's upcoming visit to Argentina, a representative number of human rights, religious, trade-union, and political organizations and personalities have joined together and written Secretary Vance on the human rights situation in that country. I am enclosing a copy of this letter.

In our letter we put forth four basic criteria to evaluate any changes in the Argentine situation. We hope these can be brought up during discussions in Buenos Aires later this month.

Our letter also requests that the Secretary deliver on our behalf a partial list of political prisoners and disappeared persons to the Argentine authorities. This list was compiled in the U.S. by the Argentine Information and Service Center from sources in Argentina and outside in the various committees functioning around the world. The list contains approximately half the total number of victims of the repression in Argentina.

This list will be circulated internationally for comparison with other sources and will be regularly updated. We expect to have more than 10,000 names before Christmas. We will make each new version available to your office for your reference.

We hope that the list and your own efforts might encourage the Argentine government to make public a complete list with the proper explanations on the status of those detained or missing.

If I can be of any further help, please do not hesitate to call me,

cordially,

Gino Lofredo
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